



A clinical officer sensitizes women on the importance of maternal, newborn and child health and family planning services in Kilifi County. Photo credit: Winnie Nyabenge/ACHAP Afya

KENYA

ACHAP AFYA

ACHAP Afya is a three-year, USAID-funded regional program implemented in Kenya's Kilifi County and Uganda's West Nile region. It is led by the Africa Christian Health Associations Platform (ACHAP), with the Christian Health Association of Kenya as the local implementing partner in Kilifi County. The program aims to reduce maternal and child morbidity and mortality in Kenya and Uganda by implementing high-quality, high-impact community health interventions for reproductive health/family planning; maternal, newborn, child, and adolescent health; nutrition; and water, sanitation, and hygiene.

The project leverages the large faith-based platform provided by ACHAP's local partner organizations, which can be used to reach most targeted local communities with health care services. As part of the Journey to Self-Reliance, the program has directly involved the Kilifi county and sub-county health management teams and local leadership in its planning and start-up activities. ACHAP Afya will continue to build the capacity of local community health teams, community leaders (including faith leaders), and the health management teams to ensure sustainability.

OUR WORK

ACHAP Afya focuses on the sub-counties of Ganze, Kaloleni, Rabai, Kilifi North, and Kilifi South for activity implementation, with a possibility of expanding to other sub-counties. The program works in collaboration with the Ministry of Health to build the capacity of primary health care workers and community health volunteers to provide high-quality, high-impact community health interventions. It also builds the capacity of community health teams and community leaders to create demand for health services in the community and at health facilities. The program identifies champions among community teams and supports them to reach their peers with required health information. It ensures effective reporting of community health activities, including those carried out by faith-based groups.

EXPECTED RESULTS

The project is working to achieve the following results by the end of December 2021:

- More than 200 community health volunteers trained and supported to provide community health interventions.
- 75 community leaders and faith leaders trained and supported to create demand for health services.
- More than 43,000 pregnant women accessing first antenatal care services.
- More than 50,000 pregnant women completing four antenatal care visits.
- More than 50,000 pregnant women accessing skilled deliveries.
- More than 39,000 infants fully immunized.
- More than 30,000 women supported to access postnatal care within two days.
- More than 172,000 households accessing safe drinking water.
- 120 villages triggered for community-led total sanitation.
- More than 153,000 children provided with Vitamin A supplementation.

BUDGET: USD \$15 million

DURATION

2020-2023

ACTIVITY LOCATIONS

Kilifi County in Kenya

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER

African Christian Health Associations
Platforms and Christian Health Association of Kenya

KEY PARTNERS

Ministry of Health - Department of Family Health
Kilifi County Health Management Team
Primary health facilities
Faith-based organizations
Community-based organizations

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